

Remarks

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of claims 1, 2, 5, 8-12, 47-48 and 68, and the Examiner's amendment of allowed claims 5 and 68 and amendments to the specification, in the Communication of September 28, 2004.

The specification is here amended to comply with paragraph 7, page 4 of the Communication. Support for amendment to the specification herein is found in the specification and figures as filed. Further, support for amendment to page 10, lines 3 through 8 is found in the specification as filed, page 80, lines 7-15.

Upon entry of the present amendment, SEQ ID Nos.: 7-72 are added to the Sequence Identification document. Further, these SEQ ID Nos. are defined in the description of Figures 3 and 5, which are accordingly amended herein. Support for these sequences is found in Figures 3 and 5 as filed, i.e., these sequences were present in the drawings in the application as originally filed and were merely lacking appropriate SEQ ID Nos. No new matter is added by the present amendment.

A new SEQ ID document in hard copy and in computer readable form (diskette) is submitted, as well as a statement that the contents of the hard copy and diskette are identical.

Applicants assert that upon entry of the present amendment, the specification is in condition for issuance, as it complies with the formal matters described in paragraph 7 of the Communication. Applicants respectfully request expeditious entry of the amendment, and issuance and publication of the allowed patent application.

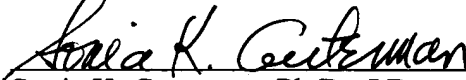
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Conclusion

Based on the present amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the Specification complies with all formal matters, and entry of the amendment is accordingly respectfully requested.

Should any questions or issues arise concerning the application, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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